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Dear Josh Lederberg,

Thank you for your good letter. I was delighted by what you wrote and flattered by your recollection of our conversations in your College years. I should be flattered too by your assumption that I can really grasp the SUMEX-AIM pamphlet. Even with the crutch of the passages you marked I barely limp along. I did a bit better with your arguments for life on Mars in The New Yorker, a while back.

I understand, of course, that even if are in NYC before you move back you will be too busy for a visit with me. But I hope we can get tother early in the fall - after all, I'm not getting any younger! Incidentally if Rockefeller U. goes in for the tradition of a presidential inauguration ceremony and an ancient academic relic is eligible for an invitation I'll admit that I still love a parade. I hope I'm not presuming; if I am, please just forget it. But don't forget to make an appointment at your early convenience.

The best of luck - and Auf Wiedersehen.

Jim Gutmann

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